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## **MUR 4880 - Khoury for Congress**

Dear Mr. Turley:

This letter is to confirm our phone conversation of March 10, 1999.

After informing you in a letter dated February 24, 1999 that I would be preparing a response to Mr. R. M. Cook Barela's allegations against the Khoury for Congress committee, I spoke to Ms. Alva Smith of your office and then to you regarding the person to whom the complaint is directed.

I explained to you that I served as Treasurer for Khoury for Congress during the relevant time period. You explained to me that it is the Federal Election Commission's position that Ms. Sally Ann Grossman, the Treasurer for Dr. Khoury's 1992 campaign committee, is and will be the person legally responsible for responding to Mr. Barela's complaint. Regarding my role in responding to the allegations, you suggested three alternatives for me:

- 1. Become the Treasurer of the 1992 campaign committee;
- 2. Sign a "Designation of Counsel" form; or,
- 3. Informally help Mr. Khoury respond to the allegations.

I will not chose alternative #1 because it would not be appropriate for me to be named as Treasurer of a committee in which I did not participate and over which I had no control. I will not chose alternative #2 because I am not an attorney and not

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in a position to provide legal advice. Therefore, I will informally assist Mr. Khoury in responding to the complaint.

Based on our conversation, it is my understanding that, although I served as Treasurer for the Khoury for Congress committee in 1997-98, I am not responsible for any of the allegations, and that I have no legal liability whatsoever. Please contact me as soon as possible at if this is not the FEC's postion.

Very truly yours,

David L. Davis

cc: Dr. Sarkis Joseph Khoury